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MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

RESOLUTION

TARIFFS

New Delhi, the 7th May 1957

No. 37(1)-TP/57.—The Tariff Commission has submitted its Report on the continuance of protection to the Calcium Lactate Industry on the basis of an inquiry undertaken by it under sections 11(e) and 13 of the Tariff Commission Act, 1951. Its recommendations are as follows:—

- (1) Protection to the industry should be continued at the existing rates of duty [37·8 per cent. *ad valorem* (Standard) and 27·3 per cent. *ad valorem* (Preferential)] for a period of three years, i.e. up to 31st December, 1960.
- (2) Careful watch should be maintained on the volume of abnormally cheap imports at present coming into the country from some sources.
- (3) If at any time the industry finds that its competitive position in the domestic market is seriously threatened by the imports mentioned in recommendation (2), it may apply for a review of the scheme of protection.
- (4) The Central and State Governments should purchase indigenous calcium lactate to meet their entire requirements provided the producers maintain the necessary standard of quality and charge reasonable prices. While determining the reasonableness or otherwise of prices charged by the domestic manufacturers, the abnormally low prices at present quoted for

imports from certain sources should not be adopted as a standard of comparison.

- (5) Sarabhai Chemicals should mark its product as conforming to the I.P. specifications only, until it is able to attain strict conformity with the B.P. specifications as well.

2. Government accept recommendation (1) and will take suitable steps to implement it in due course.

3. Government have taken note of recommendations (2) and (4) and steps will be taken to implement them as far as possible.

4. The attention of the industry is invited to recommendations (3) and (5).

ORDER

Ordered that a copy of the Resolution be communicated to all concerned and that it be published in the *Gazette of India*.

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